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Hello,

I'm writing to express my extreme dissatisfaction with the proposed Microsoft Settlement. It does nothing to prevent the company from leveraging its monopoly power in future, nor does it punish them for all the grief they caused in the past.

As a U.S. Citizen, I feel that it is important to preserve competition in a real sense in the world of human creativity. This agreement only pays lip-service to ideals of competition, while really giving MS a blank slate on which to define how they want the computing world to be.

It is unacceptable. It must *\*not\** be the settlement. It fixes nothing, and stifles creativity.

Yours sincerely,  
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"Their imaginations insisted that nobody changed much from day to day. Their imaginations were flywheels on the ramshackle machinery of the awful truth." --Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., "Breakfast of Champions"